

Marshfield Energy and Climate Change Committee
Plainfield Energy Coordinator
Notes of April 1, 2013 Meeting

Attending: Anne Miller, Dan Chodorkoff, John Morris, Wes Cate, Bob Atchinson, Ed Hutchinson, Rich Phillips

Convene: 7:10 PM

Adjourn: 11:30 PM

Business:

- 1) Introduced Wes Cate as a new member. His appointment was recommended to the Selectboard and is expected shortly.
- 2) Approved the notes of the February 4th and March 4th meetings.
- 3) John had the latest version of the solar sign. It was decided to reduce the font slightly to increase white space but otherwise this is the finish product except for any feedback from the Selectboard. Rich will attend the Selectboard meeting on the 2nd.
- 4) John will print and post the solar output graphs. Rich will look into dedicating a space on the hall wall for the monthly postings of these graphs.
- 5) Dan and Anne reported on the group net metering panel they held on March 27th at the Library. There were about 17 people there including committee members and presenters. The presentations were quite informative, particularly the availability of no-up-front-cost options by Sun Common. The presenters were Sun Common, Jeff Forward and Andy Perchlik. Dan thought there may be a couple of groups of townspeople interested in further investigating group solar. The subcommittee will be following up to help interested groups get the information they need to pursue a system. Rich will discuss with Twinfield the possibility of implementing a no cost up front option. He will also encourage businesses that can take advantage of the great depreciation rates to investigate the possibility.
- 6) Marshfield has completed three HEV and has four scheduled. So far there has been one audit and another expected. Rich will be calling more people. There have been no takers from FPF posts. Plainfield has completed at least four EHVs and believes there will be three or four audits from these visits. Plainfield has about 20 sign-ups from the Town Meeting raffle. There will be an audit demo at Joey Klein/Betsy Zeigler shortly that should be publicized.
- 7) We discussed the price of audits after the first 12. We will discuss continuing with \$100 with the contractors when the first 12 are used up.
- 8) Rich felt he was overusing Google Groups. Essentially he is using it for everything including right down to setting up EHVs involving one other committee member. Wes felt communications amounted to a stream of consciousness. Others suggested keeping on the way it is currently used and members can use the delete button.
- 9) We discussed finalizing the committee's web pages and using them to post events etc. It was agreed that John needs support to get this done and then we need to promote the site wherever we can by including its URL